REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION (05

The opponents of Prop. 65 want to dismiss it as "of no real significance"

YOU DECIDE: IS A \$300 MILLION MONEY GRAB BY GROCERY STORES NOT SIGNIFICANT?

Without Prop. 65, not one penny of the \$300 million customers will be required to pay if California's ban on plastic bags goes into effect will help the environment.

All \$300 million will go to grocery store profits. THAT'S \$300 MILLION EVERY YEAR!

VOTE YES ON 65 -- STOP THE SWEETHEART GIVE AWAY TO GROCERS.

In a sweetheart deal put together by special interest lobbyists, the Legislature voted to BAN plastic bags and REQUIRE grocery stores keep bag fees as profit.

Their "plastic bag ban" REQUIRES grocery stores to charge every consumer given a bag at check-out no less than 10 cents per bag.

They could have banned plastic bags without a fee or dedicated fees to environmental projects.

They didn't.

Instead, they made grocery stores \$300 million richer and shoppers \$300 million poorer every year.

A BETTER WAY TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT.

You can do what the Legislature should have done – dedicate bag fees to projects that protect the environment.

Prop. 65 dedicates bag fees to environmental projects like drought relief, beach clean-up and litter removal.

It puts the California Wildlife Conservation Board in control of these funds, not grocery store executives.

PROP. 65 WILL DEDICATE BAG FEES TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

It's simple and significant.

Join us -- vote YES.

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SUBJECT TO COURT ORDERED CHANGES